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## LEWIS DEMANDS RESUMPTION OF WORK AT MINES

Futile to Believe Stoppage of Work Will Change Laws, Leader Tells Miners

## WORKERS DOING SELVES AN INJURY

Reference Made to Howat and Others as False Prophets on Way to Disaster

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 21.—A call for the immediate resumption of work by Kansas coal miners who have been idle since their deposed leaders, Alexander Howat was sent to jail, under the Kansas industrial court law, was issued today by President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America in a letter sent to every union miner in Kansas.

"Those who urged the Kansas mine workers to continue idle in violation of the joint agreement are but false leaders pointing the road to inevitable disaster," said Mr. Lewis' letter, which also referred to approaching wage negotiations affecting the entire coal industry of the United States as the "battle which is to come," calling for unity among all miners.

In his letter Mr. Lewis referred to his suspension of Howat and others as officials of the Kansas district, declaring this action followed the decision of the international union's recent action directing that strikers at two mines be ordered back to work.

Welfare Depends on Character "The welfare of the United Mine Workers of America," the letter continued "depends upon its observance of the contracts which it negotiates and the honorable liquidation of the obligations it assumes."

It is not possible for the international union to countenance or permit the continuance of a condition in any district wherein the joint wage agreement is violated with impunity and the organic laws of the organization transgressed and ignored. Such was the condition in district 14 (Kansas) and by the same token the international union has interfered to bring order out of chaos and compel obedience to its laws."

Further, the letter asserted, it was a "deliberate falsehood" to say the international union would permit changed working conditions at the two mines or that the union was acting in sympathy with the Kansas industrial court. Legal attacks on the law by Howat and other deposed Kansas union officials were said to "not strike at the heart of the measure," and the letter added that the international union would soon institute legal proceedings to challenge all the law's provisions which labor regards as unconstitutional.

Miners Doing Selves Injury "The mine workers of Kansas are only doing themselves an injury by refraining from work under present circumstances," continued the letter. "It is futile to believe that a stoppage of work will change the law. Laws are only changed in America by the force of public opinion manifested through the state legislatures and the federal congress. Those who urge the Kansas miners to continue idle in violation of the joint agreement are but false leaders pointing the road to inevitable disaster. All mines should be immediately placed in operation without further delay. Local unions should immediately call special meetings for the purpose of putting this policy into effect."

Enid Man Calls Bluff of Klansmen and Saw Thousand at Meeting

ENID, Okla., Oct. 21.—V. D. Bradburn of this city received a warning note here early Thursday evening, signed K. K. K., relative to domestic affairs. He doubted the authenticity of the signature and on the way to inform the sheriff of the receipt of the notice, he heard rumors that the masked men were to hold a meeting later in the evening.

Firing a taxicab he drove to the race track three miles from town and ran onto five masked men who were acting as guards, according to the story the police say he told them. He told the police he believed the masked men were Klansmen, and asked them if they had written the note. According to his statement, they denied it.

Bradburn declared there were about one thousand automobiles parked around the race track, the police said, and that a body of men which he saw from a distance was gathered there.

CHICAGO CHINATOWN NOW HAS ENGLISH SCHOOL

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Located in the heart of Chicago's Chinatown near Wentworth avenue and 22nd street is the Chinese Y. M. C. A., which during the past week has come into new popularity among the young men from the Orient. The reason for this lies in the fact that it has just started a school for young men and children in which they can learn about their new country, how to be good Americans and speak good English.

## Baxter Sentenced to 20 Years in Penitentiary

ROLLED DOWN ROSE NOW DOILED UP WITH FRILLS

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—These rolled-down stockings that the young women have been wearing have been giving the orthodox quite a jolt. They got another, the other day, when a New York girl returning from France exhibited some lacy frills with which Parisians are crowning the rolls. It's getting a bit late for such summery frills, but a fur top for stockings is now under consideration for the coming winter.

## TWO ARTISTS WILL BE ON PROGRAM OF COMMUNITY SING

Selections Are Grouped to Fit Occasions and Periods of Time

In addition to Herbert Wall, baritone-tenor of the University of Oklahoma, the Philharmonic club will have Professor Noll, also of the University, in Ardmore tonight to participate in the community sing at Convention Hall at 7:30 o'clock.

The program will be arranged in groups, chief of which will be the patriotic group including "America," "Star Spangled Banner," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "Oklahoma." Old southern melodies group will include "Dixie," "My Old Kentucky Home," "Old Folks at Home," "Swanee River," "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," and "Old Black Joe." In the group of popular songs will be "Long, Long Trail," "Perfect Day," "Till We Meet Again," "Old Pal of Mine," "Pack up Your Troubles."

Mr. Wall has advised Mrs. Minnie B. Wall, the leader, that he will render several selections, as will Mr. Noll, who will be his accompanist. The program for the senior high school girls club is in the hands of the leader, and it probably will be a part of the special program.

Railroads Must Operate Here, Governor Says

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 21.—Warning that railroads must "operate in this state, regardless of the strike," was sounded by Governor Robertson in a special message to the public given to The Associated Press. Voluntary will be found to operate freight trains at least and the state will be justified in taking possession of these properties and operating them in the interest of all the people, should occasion demand," the message stated.

TURKEYS SCARCER FOR HOLIDAYS THIS YEAR

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 21.—Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys will be scarcer this year than last, it was indicated at the annual convention here of the Oklahoma Poultry and Egg Association, which closed yesterday. It was said prices for the holiday bird will range from 23 to 27 cents a pound at dressing stations.

The association decided to affiliate with the national organization, a motion to that effect by C. L. Smith, president, being adopted.

The needs of standardizing the handling of poultry by shippers was discussed by Roy S. Potts of the bureau of markets at Washington.

Civil War Veteran Builds Playground

MIDWAY, Mass., Oct. 21.—Elmer L. Videtto, a veteran of the Civil war, crippled and partly blind, has laid out a playground near his home here so that he may listen to the voices of children.

For years Videtto visited the schools and told the pupils war stories. When after the most recent of several accidents he was obliged to give up active work as a stone mason, he conceived the idea of bringing children to him. He purchased land across the street from his home and although the infirmities of 75 years and his injuries made the work slow, he cleared away the underbrush, and built seats, swings and tilting boards for his child friends.

Here the children gather each day while Videtto sits on the veranda of his home or mingles with them to tell again the stories they love to hear.

Okmulgee Judge Refuses to O. K. Tribal Vouchers

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Oct. 21.—Indian agency officials today said that County Judge Hugh Murphy of Okmulgee county who has announced his opposition to the removal of Jackson Barnett, millionaire Creek Indian from that county to Muskogee, is refusing to approve any vouchers issued by the office of the Five Civilized Tribes here for the expenditure of any restricted Indian money in Okmulgee county until such time as the plans for the removal of Barnett are abandoned.

Defendant Testified Shooting at Fair Grounds Was an Accident; Claims He Was Attacked

R. S. Baxter, charged with the murder of A. C. Ford, at the fair grounds near Ardmore on September 15, was found guilty of manslaughter in the first degree and sentenced to 20 years at the McAlester state penitentiary. The jury, with W. E. Spencer as foreman, brought in its verdict at 11:30 o'clock this morning. The jury had deliberated on the case for 13 hours.

The case went to the jury at 10:20 Thursday night, at the conclusion of a night session which had been called at 7:30 o'clock. R. B. and H. H. Brown, attorneys for the defense, and J. B. Champion and County Attorney Mathers, delivered the closing addresses to the jury.

The attorneys for the defense based their arguments in an effort to secure the acquittal of the defendant on a plea of self-defense and accidental shooting. The prosecution made effort to show that Baxter had deliberately slain Ford in cold blood.

Witnesses for this prosecution testified Thursday afternoon that Baxter had shot Ford after the latter had attempted to break away from Baxter's grasp. Defense witnesses stated that three men had jumped on Baxter while he was getting a drink of water, and that the pistol had been accidentally discharged while Baxter was making effort to wrest it from Ford's grasp.

Floyd Hix Special Officer

Zeb Floyd testified that Tom Ford, A. C. Ford and himself had gone to the fair grounds on the night of the shooting and that the slain man had become engaged in a struggle with Baxter. He denied that others than the two men had engaged in the struggle, and claimed that he did not see Ford hitting Baxter's car. He admitted hitting Baxter's car. Mr. Miller on the jaw, when the latter had tried to interfere in the fight, but stated that he did not know that Miller was an officer at the time.

Tom Fuller stated during his testimony that it appeared to him Ford was trying to get away from Baxter's grasp, and that Ford had impaled Baxter. "Don't shoot me," after which Baxter shot. There were only two men involved in the struggle, he said. After Ford fell, Fuller stated, Baxter said, "I guess you all will jump on somebody, will you?"

Baxter's four men jumped on me and bit my car off," Fuller stated that Baxter still held to his gun, and remarked, "All you 'stand back,' and then Baxter walked toward the building in which the poultry was being exhibited.

Baxter Made Threat, Said Albert Holdman, special officer at the fair grounds, testified that about an hour before the shooting Baxter had remarked to him "there's one up there and if he shoots with me any more I'm gonna get him." Baxter had a pistol at the time, said Holdman.

Dr. Walter Hardy was the next witness called. He described the nature of Ford's wounds, and stated that the wounded man died 30 minutes after he had been brought to the sanitarium.

While still living, Dr. Hardy said. (Continued on page 2)

WIDOW OF COLONEL "BILL" CODY DEAD

Will Be Buried by Side of Noted Frontiersman on Lookout Mountain

CODY, Wyo., Oct. 21.—Mrs. Louise Frederick Cody, widow of the late Colonel William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill), died of heart disease at her home here last night. She was 78 years old.

Mrs. Cody's grandchildren and John Baker, the foster son of Col. Cody, were at her bedside. Relatives said they expected to bury Mrs. Cody by the side of her husband on Lookout Mountain, overlooking Denver.

Mrs. Cody was born in an old French settlement near St. Louis. She became the bride of William F. Cody, March 6th, 1866, when the partner was only 21 years old. At that time, Cody had already killed an "injun."

The Cody's have had three children, all of whom are dead. Col. Cody died Jan. 10, 1917.

Strike Threats Should Not Deter Delegates

According to a letter from National Confederate Veterans' Reunion headquarters received here by Henry Sutherland, the threatened railroad strike should not be allowed to interfere with attendance at the reunion in Chattanooga, Tenn., on October 25-27. This letter states that there will be three full days between the close of the reunion and the date the strike is to become effective and should the strike be called at the appointed time the attendees will have had time to arrive at their homes.

It is stated that those who attend from here will leave Sunday morning. It has been more than 56 years since the Civil War ended and it is not short of wonderful that so many veterans of that war are able to attend these reunions.

## ARDMORE ARMEN WILL CARRY MAIL IF STRIKE CALLED

Oakley and Askew Volunteer Services With Three Well Equipped Planes; Ready Now

## LETTER IS SENT TO POSTMASTER GENERAL

Suggestion Made of Forming Network of Airlines in This Section of State

Ardmore aviators have volunteered to aid in the delivery of mail in this or other sections of the United States in case the nation-wide strike becomes effective.

Dorsey Askew, acting for the firm of Oakley-Askew, wrote Will H. Hays, postmaster general, offering the service of himself and Arthur Oakley, and three airplanes.

Both aviators have had considerable flying experience in the army and in conducting a commercial line out of Ardmore. Askew is recognized as one of the best and safest pilots in the southwest. Oakley has been devoted most of his attention to stunts and daredevil stunts in the air, but is a full-fledged pilot holding a commercial license.

Following is the letter in part sent the postmaster general:

"If, because of a railroad strike, there is any difficulty about making prompt delivery of the mails in this part of Oklahoma—especially of registered or valuable mail—we wish to offer to the Postoffice Department the use of our three fully equipped airplanes, with competent pilots, for emergency mail service.

"These planes are ready to go into service promptly upon notice. No doubt arrangements can be made with other companies owning planes in cities within a hundred mile radius of Ardmore, so that mail could be relayed from the big centers even more rapidly than under the present system. We are willing to cover a certain mileage—say one hundred miles—in any direction from Ardmore, and do our part in furthering governmental mail service."

## 100 COMMUNISTS SLIP INTO U. S. TO Avenge Execution

French Police Believe Party Men Responsible for Bomb Sent to Herrick

PARIS, Oct. 21.—French police officials asserted today that more than 100 members of the young communist organization in Europe had slipped through the immigration lines and reached the United States within the last two months for the purpose of "causing trouble," if the two Italians, Sacco and Vanzetti, were executed for the murder of which they were convicted in Massachusetts last summer.

Many of these men, the officials said, had applied for passports to the American passport bureau in Paris and had been refused.

The police are now working on the theory that some of these communists were responsible for the bomb sent to Ambassador Herrick, which blew up his home on Wednesday.

This theory is the result of a threat made by the young communist who said he was an Italian, at the American passport office here last Monday, when the officials told him they could not give him a visa for America unless he conformed with the regulations. The applicant, who gave his age as 22, became angry when refused, exclaiming:

"Somebody will get killed for this." Ambassador Herrick, when he returned to his office this morning, found 63 additional letters of protest in connection with the Massachusetts case, two of them containing threats of reprisals against Americans if the executions took place.

The communist mass meeting of protest against the conviction of the two Italians, called for tonight in one of the largest halls in Paris, is causing some apprehension.

Enid Boy Loses Eye When Struck By Shot From Toy

ENID, Oct. 21.—Ira Gignoux, 10-year old son of Mrs. Ethel Gignoux, 412 East Randolph, was seriously injured Wednesday evening, when a steel ball bearing, fired from the "rigger shooter" of Alfred Burdick, another small boy in the neighborhood, struck him directly in the left eye.

Ira was removed to a local hospital and the entire eyeball was removed Thursday morning. His condition is very serious as infection to the tissues back of the eyeball which line the brain is feared.

DOLLAR MARK AND LOVER'S KNOT A CENTURY OLD

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Discovery that a dollar mark shares honors with a lover's knot over the "bridal entrance" to a New York Fifth Avenue church has been followed by the finding of this inscription on a window just restored in the church of St. Catharine Cree. The church was built more than a century ago.

WEATHER OKLAHOMA: Tonight fair, warmer; Saturday part cloudy, colder in west portion.

## Railroad Labor Board Fails to Hold Up Strike by Arbitration

Administration Considers Resorting to War Power If Threats Go Much Further, Is Rumor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Whether to resort to the war powers of the federal government to maintain railway transportation in event of the threatened nation-wide strike of railway employees is understood to be under consideration today by the administration.

Lack of any provision by the unions for suspending the railroad strike called for October 30, made it impossible to accept the plan offered by the United States railroad labor board yesterday, it was said today in union circles.

The board, it was said, presented three proposals to the presidents of the big four brotherhoods and the Switchmen's Union. They were:

"1. The railroads to make a reduction in freight rates corresponding to the wage reduction of July 1, less such reductions as have been made since that date.

"2. The roads to refrain to the United States railroad labor board, until the last cut has been translated into rate reductions.

"3. The unions to suspend or withdraw their strike order. The union presidents were willing to accept the first two, but declared they had made no arrangements for suspending their strike, and some arrangements must be made before October 20, or the walkout would automatically become effective.

"4. The board, it was reported today, assured the union leaders that the railroad leaders could not get a decision for months, even if they filed their proposed request for a ten percent wage reduction immediately. The board is understood to have pointed out the cases now on the docket would prevent taking up the railroad's application before next March and that the bulk of testimony naturally in a case of such importance, probably would state off the decision for another six months, making it highly improbable that the roads could get an answer before next August or September.

The proposals submitted by the board followed closely the advance predictions of the plan they would offer, and the railroad brotherhood leaders, who had already declared the plan impossible, made no effort to conceal their disappointment that the board had nothing else to offer.

"Yesterday's optimism was noticeably absent in union circles today and in its place was a seeming resignation to the belief that the strike would now inevitably unless President Harding assumed the initiative with drastic step.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 21.—Upon his return from Chicago where the "Big Five" brotherhoods were in session yesterday with the United States railroad labor board, W. G. Lee, president of the trainmen's organization, announced this morning that (Continued on Page Two)

French Police Guard American Residences

PARIS, Oct. 21.—Police authorities throughout France were today carefully guarding American consulates and other buildings occupied by citizens of the United States, as a result of a flood of threatening letters received by Myron T. Herrick, the American ambassador, and Alexander M. Thackara, American consul general here. These letters came as a sequel to the explosion of an infernal machine in the home of Ambassador Herrick on Wednesday and were believed to point to a widespread plot to attack Americans in this country.

All the letters protested against the sentence to death of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, two Italian convicted last summer of first degree murder in a Massachusetts court. They asserted that American officials in France were representatives of American government and that as such would be attacked.

OFFICIALS IN STARE PREPARE FOR STRIKE

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 21.—Mayors, chiefs of police and sheriffs throughout the state were today believed to be planning to meet conditions which may come from the proposed railroad strike, as a result of a meeting issued last night by Governor Robertson through the Associated Press.

Governor Robertson, declaring that the railroads must operate, called upon city and county officers to begin at once preparations for eventualities in connection with the threatened walkout.

No developments were expected here today, the governor being out of the city.

Passenger Rates to Be Increased Nov. 1

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 21.—Passenger rates are to be increased 20 percent Nov. 1, and freight rates 35 percent Nov. 20, throughout the state as a result of an order issued by the corporation commission here which rescinded a previous order by June 6, when the commission revoked rulings allowed the carriers by the interstate commerce commission.

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Lost Girl Returns Home

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 21.—Miss Thelma Roland, who was reported to be a dispatch from Gallipoli, Ohio, yesterday, to have mysteriously disappeared, is now at her home here, and said today that she returned to the city with her mother from Point Pleasant about three weeks ago.

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## DEVELOPMENTS

Following are the railroad strike developments today:

CHICAGO—The railroad labor board having failed in its conference with the brotherhood leaders last night sends its report to President Harding.

Eleven "standard" unions continue meetings in effort to reach a common agreement on the stand they will take in event a strike takes place.

Managers of the western roads meet to discuss plans to keep the roads in operation.

WASHINGTON—Government officials awaiting official report from labor board before taking next step in effort to prevent walkout.

CLEVELAND—Brotherhood chiefs return to their headquarters and continue with strike plans.

ST. LOUIS—Managers of the southwestern roads meet to arrange their program for operation of the roads in event of strike.

SAN ANTONIO—Six hundred members of Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen employed on International and Great Northern prepare to walk out at noon tomorrow, the first union authorized to quit under the strike order issued here last Saturday.

CHICAGO—Packers began storing fresh meats for emergency use in event of a railroad strike. Preparations are being made, it was said, to stock strategic distributing centers to the maximum.

BROCK FARMER IS ACQUITTED AFTER LONG COURT SIEGE

Carriers of West Meet

On the carriers' part heads of western roads met in Chicago and conferred for the purpose of forming plans for combating a strike while a similar meeting of southwestern roads was held in St. Louis. At each meeting, road presidents were quoted as saying that their plans would be rushed at the utmost speed as a result of the failure of the railroad labor board conference to bring the admittedly grave situation. The union leaders, before their departure for their organization headquarters expressed resentment over the meeting with the board. Coming here in the belief that the board would present a concrete plan of settlement, they claimed that the board members had "presented nothing but words," in trying to avert a walkout, merely trying to dissuade them from carrying out the strike and presenting nothing which they considered as even a tangible working basis toward clearing up the situation. The union chiefs steadily maintained, it was said, that they could not postpone the scheduled walkout.

While adjournment of last night's conference was termed by Judge H. M. Burton, chairman of the board, as "final adjournment," with no plans for the immediate future, board members said the way was still open to again call the union presidents in a settlement conference to prove it.

"Standard" Union Considered With what was considered by many as the government's first effort to prevent the strike a failure, attention (Continued on Page Two)

Ira Hammer Was Charged With Shooting Chas. Spears From Ambush in 1919

The jury in the case of the state of Oklahoma vs. Ira Hammer, charged with the murder of Charles Spears, returned a verdict of not guilty at 10:20 o'clock Thursday night. The case had been placed in the hands of the jury at 5:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Hammer was alleged by state's attorneys to have shot Spears from ambush on the morning of June 2, 1919. The state based its fight on numerous threats made by Hammer against Spears prior to the killing when, it was said, Spears had been killing his neighbor's cattle and other stock.

Prior to rendering its verdict, the jury in the case entered the court room at about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of assisting in the testimony as offered during the trial by Sheriff Buck Garrett. The defendant was brought into the courtroom, and the clerk read Garrett's testimony which was to the effect that Spears had made a statement to him after he had been shot that he was going to die and that Hammer had waylaid him. The wounded man had informed Garrett that he had not seen Hammer, but had been threatened several times by him.

In defense of his father, Younger Hammer, son of the defendant, had testified that his father had left home while he was finishing breakfast and that he carried only a dinner bucket. At about 8:45 o'clock young Hammer heard three shots, while he was playing in the field. Later he went with the officers to the asphalt mine where his father was arrested. Upon returning home in the afternoon, he found his father's Winchester rifle behind the door and he said it had not been fired.

Hammer had been tried on the same charge last April and at the time was found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary. His attorneys asked for a new trial.

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Officials Moving at Double Time to Prevent Walkout and Get Lines in Hand for Emergency

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The United States railroad labor board, having admittedly failed in its attempt to prevent a rail strike through conferences with heads of the "Big Five" rail unions, labor chiefs today were pushing plans for a general walkout beginning October 30, and officials of the board were moving at double time in their efforts to combat the proposed strike.

The conference yesterday between the board and five union heads—Watson S. Stone of the engineers; L. S. Sheppard of the conductors; T. C. Cashen of the switchmen; W. G. Lee of the trainmen and W. S. Carter of the firemen—brought no result but an admission from the board that the first effort of a governmental agency to avert a strike failed completely and statements from the union chiefs that the meeting resulted only in "the labor board being convinced that the unions really mean to strike."

Several railroad union men said that "looked as if only government itself could prevent a walkout. Mr. Stone, Mr. Lee and Mr. Carter were in Cleveland today meeting formally with their executive committees to complete strike plans, while Mr. Cashen was directing activities in the switchmen's unions from Buffalo and Sheppard in Cedar Rapids, was rounding up the final details for his organization. The executive committee of all five unions will meet in Cleveland Monday.

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